AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A mobile robot, comprising:

a communications module for transmitting a light source control signal to selectively control flickering of each of a plurality of light sources of a landmark array provided in a working space such that each of said plurality of light sources can be separately detected by its flickering;

an image processing module for calculating image coordinates of at least one of the plurality of the light sources by separately detecting the at least one light sources source by selectively controlling the flickering the light source, controlled to flicker in response to the light source control signal, from an image signal obtained by a camera based on wavelength of the detected light sources;

a pose calculation module for calculating world position coordinates of the mobile robot in the working space using the calculated image coordinates and previously stored world coordinates of the light sources;

a motion control module for calculating a moving path in the working space for the mobile robot by applying the position coordinates of the mobile robot to previously stored spatial coordinates of the working space and controlling the mobile robot to move along the moving path in the working space; and

a main control module for controlling interoperations of the communications, image processing, pose calculation and motion control modules and general

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operations of the mobile robot.

2. (Original) The mobile robot as set forth in claim 1, further comprising a

memory module for storing the world coordinates of the light sources, spatial

coordinates of the mobile robot in the working space, and parameters calculated

through camera calibration for compensating for distortion of a lens of the camera.

3. (Previously Presented) The mobile robot as set forth in claim 1, wherein

the pose calculation module calculates translation and rotation of the robot by

applying the image coordinates and the world coordinates to a position calculation

algorithm.

4. (Original) The mobile robot as set forth in claim 3, wherein the pose

calculation algorithm is a certain transformation matrix equation that is obtained by

constructing an extension model for obtaining a translation and a rotation of the

camera using a world coordinate system and a camera coordinate system and

applying the extension model to a formula for compensating for distortion caused

by a lens of the camera.

5. (Currently Amended) A system for autonomous navigation of a mobile

robot, comprising:

a landmark array comprising a plurality of light sources disposed in a

working space to selectively flicker;

a landmark array control module for separately controlling each of the light

sources of the plurality of light sources of the landmark array to flicker; and

a mobile robot equipped with a pose calculation module for selectively controlling each of the light sources in the plurality of light sources of the landmark array to flicker such that each of said plurality of light sources can be separately detected by transmitting a light source control signal to the landmark array control module and recognizing a world position of the mobile robot in a working space using image coordinates of detected light sources, controlled to flicker in response to the light source control signal, extracted from an image signal based on

6. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 5, wherein the light sources are light emitting devices, including electro-luminescent devices and light emitting diodes, which emit light with a certain wavelength and a certain brightness.

wavelength of the detected light sources.

- 7. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 5, wherein the light sources are each assigned with position information comprised of a specific identification number and world coordinates in the working space in which the landmark array is arranged.
- 8. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 5, wherein the landmark array control module comprises:

an access point for receiving and processing the light source control signal transmitted from the mobile robot; and

a light source control unit for controlling corresponding light sources to flicker

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in response to the light source control signal input from the access point.

9. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 5, wherein the pose

calculation module calculates translation and rotation of the robot by applying

image coordinates and world coordinates to a certain pose calculation algorithm.

10. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 5, wherein the

mobile robot comprises:

a main control module for controlling an entire operation for pose recognition

and moving according to an operation management algorithm for autonomous

navigation of the mobile robot;

a communications module for transmitting the light source control signal to

control light sources of the landmark array under control of the main control unit;

an image processing module for detecting feature points of the light source,

controlled to flicker through the communications module, from the image signal

obtained by the camera;

a motion control module for controlling the mobile robot to move under

control of the main control module; and

a memory module for storing parameters calculated through camera

calibration for compensating for distortion caused by a lens of the camera, world

coordinates of the light sources, and spatial coordinates of the mobile robot in the

working space.

11. (Original) The system as set forth in claim 9, wherein the pose

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calculation algorithm is a certain transformation matrix equation that is obtained by

constructing an extension model for obtaining a translation and a rotation of the

camera using a world coordinate system and a image coordinate system, and

applying the extension model to a formula for compensating for distortion caused

by a lens of the camera.

12. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 8, wherein the

communications module and the access point are assigned with frequencies of a

high bandwidth and transmit/receive data via the assigned frequencies, or the

communications module and the access point transmit/receive the light source

control signal through infrared data communications using infrared radiation or

through data communications based on wireless communications protocols.

13. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 9, wherein the

communications module and the access point are assigned with frequencies of a

high bandwidth and transmit/receive data via the assigned frequencies, or the

communications module and the access point transmit/receive the light source

control signal through infrared data communications using infrared radiation or

through data communications based on wireless communications protocols.

14. (Previously Presented) The system as set forth in claim 10, wherein the

image processing module comprises;

a camera equipped with a filter for filtering the wavelength of the light source

from the image signal obtained by the camera; and

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a signal processing unit for detecting the wavelength of the light source from

the filtered image signal output by the camera.

15. (Currently Amended) A method for autonomous navigation of a mobile

robot, comprising the steps of:

(1) the mobile robot selectively controlling each of a plurality of light sources

of a landmark array arranged across a certain working space to flicker by

transmitting a light source control signal to the landmark array such that each of the

light sources can be separately detected;

(2) extracting image coordinates of at least one of the plurality of the light

sources by detecting a light source by the selectively controlled flickering the light

source, controlled to flicker in response to the light source control signal, from an

image signal input from a camera based on a wavelength of the detected light

source; and

(3) calculating a current world position of the mobile robot with reference to

the extracted image coordinates and previously stored world coordinates of the

detected light source.

16. (Previously Presented) The method as set forth in claim 15, further

comprising:

(4) a motion control module determining a moving path to a destination

using the calculated current position and controlling the mobile robot to move along

the determined moving path.

17. (Previously Presented) The method as set forth in claim 15, wherein the first step comprises the steps of:

transmitting a light source control signal to a landmark array control module to control a specified one of the light sources of the landmark array to flicker; and

the landmark array control module controlling the specified light source to flicker in response to the light source control signal.

18. (Previously Presented) The method as set forth in claim 15, wherein the second step comprises the steps of:

detecting feature points of the light source from the image signal input from the camera;

determining whether the light source is detected by the camera using the feature points of the light source;

searching for the light source detected by the camera by sequentially controlling light sources near a previously tried light source to flicker if the previously tried light source is not detected; and

extracting image coordinates of a detected light source from the image signal if any light source is detected.

19. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 15, wherein the third step comprises the steps of:

detecting position information of the detected light source;

calculating the pose of the mobile robot with reference to the calculated position of the mobile robot; and

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ascertaining a precise position of the mobile robot by matching the calculated position of the mobile robot with spatial coordinate information of the working space previously stored in the mobile robot.

20. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 15, wherein the mobile robot detects two or more light sources by repeating the first and second steps so as to precisely ascertain the position of the mobile robot.